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9	BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
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13	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 4085
14 15	MARTHA PEREZ SOLAREZ 429 W. 6th Street	DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER
16	Oxnard, CA 93030 Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 77320	[Gov. Code, §11520]
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18 19	Respondent.	
$\begin{vmatrix} 19 \\ 20 \end{vmatrix}$	FINDINGS OF FACT	
21	1. On or about October 9, 2012, Complainant Virginia K. Herold, in her official	
22	capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs,	
23	filed Accusation No. 4085 against Martha Perez Solarez (Respondent) before the Board of	
24	Pharmacy. (Accusation attached as Exhibit A.)	
25	2. On or about May 19, 2008, the Board of Pharmacy (Board) issued Pharmacy	
26	Technician License No. TCH 77320 to Respondent. The Pharmacy Technician License was in	
27	full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 4085 and will	
28	expire on January 31, 2014, unless renewed.	

3. On or about October 17, 2012, Respondent was served by Certified and First Class Mail copies of the Accusation No. 4085, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense, Request for Discovery, and Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7) at Respondent's address of record which, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4100, is required to be reported and maintained with the Board. Respondent's address of record was and is:

429 W. 6th Street Oxnard, CA 93030.

- 4. Service of the Accusation was effective as a matter of law under the provisions of Government Code section 11505, subdivision (c) and/or Business & Professions Code section 124.
 - 5. Government Code section 11506 states, in pertinent part:
 - (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent files a notice of defense, and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all parts of the accusation not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.
- 6. Respondent failed to file a Notice of Defense within 15 days after service upon her of the Accusation, and therefore waived her right to a hearing on the merits of Accusation No. 4085.
 - 7. California Government Code section 11520 states, in pertinent part:
 - (a) If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense or to appear at the hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to respondent.
- 8. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Board finds Respondent is in default. The Board will take action without further hearing and, based on the relevant evidence contained in the Default Decision Evidence Packet in this matter, as well as taking official notice of all the investigatory reports, exhibits and statements contained therein on file at the Board's offices regarding the allegations contained in Accusation No. 4085, finds that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 4085, are separately and severally, found to be true and correct by clear and convincing evidence.

9. Taking official notice of its own internal records, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3, it is hereby determined that the reasonable costs for Investigation and Enforcement is \$3,652.50 as of December 18, 2012.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

- 1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Martha Perez Solarez has subjected her Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 77320 to discipline.
 - 2. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.
- 3. The Board of Pharmacy is authorized to revoke Respondent's Pharmacy Technician License based upon the following violations alleged in the Accusation which are supported by the evidence contained in the Default Decision Evidence Packet in this case.:
- a. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code sections 490, 4300, and 4301, subdivision (I), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about September 13, 2011, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of obtaining a controlled substance by fraud and on or about January 29, 2003, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of driving with greater than 0.08% blood alcohol content.
- b. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code sections 4300, 4301, subdivision (o), and 4324 in that on or about June 16, 2010, Respondent attempted to pass as genuine, a prescription for the drug Suboxone with Rite Aid Pharmacy when she had no valid prescription for that drug.
- c. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code sections 4300 and 4301, subdivision (j), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct for violating drug statues, particularly Health and Safety Code section 11171, subdivision (a).
- d. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code sections 4300 and 4301, subdivision (g), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct in that Respondent knowingly made a false statement of fact on her application for licensure.

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1	e. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code		
2	section 4300 and 4301, subdivision (f), in that Respondent committed acts involving moral		
3	turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption.		
4	<u>ORDER</u>		
5	IT IS SO ORDERED that Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 77320, heretofore issue		
6	to Respondent Martha Perez Solarez, is revoked.		
7	Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a		
8	written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within		
9	seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may		
10	vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.		
11	This Decision shall become effective on February 15, 2013.		
12	It is so ORDERED ON January 16, 2013.		
13	BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS		
14	STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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16	By STANLEY C. WEISSER		
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21	Attachment:		
22	Exhibit A: Accusation		
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Exhibit A

Accusation

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18 19	Complainant alleges:		
20	PARTIES (C)		
21	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity		
22	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs (Board). 2. On or about May 19, 2008, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician		
23	License Number TCH 77320 to Martha Perez Solarez (Respondent). The Pharmacy Technician		
24	License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will		
25	expire on January 31, 2014, unless renewed.		
26	JURISDICTION		
27	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board under the authority of the following		
28	laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.		
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Accusation

 4. Section 118, subdivision (b), provides that the suspension, expiration, surrender or cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

- 5. Section 490 provides that a board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued.
- 6. Section 4300, subdivision (a), states that "[e]very license issued may be suspended or revoked."
 - 7. Section 4301 states, in pertinent part:

"The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

- "(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.
- "(g) Knowingly making or signing any certificate or other document that falsely represents the existence or nonexistence of a state of facts.
- "(j) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, or any other state, or of the United States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.
- "(1) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. The record of conviction of a violation of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or of a violation of the statutes of this state regulating controlled substances or

dangerous drugs shall be conclusive evidence of unprofessional conduct. In all other cases, the record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred. The board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, in order to fix the degree of discipline or, in the case of a conviction not involving controlled substances or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this provision. The board may take action when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

"(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency. . . . "

8. Section 4324, subdivision (a), states:

"Every person who signs the name of another, or of a fictitious person, or falsely makes, alters, forges, utters, publishes, passes, or attempts to pass, as genuine, any prescription for any drugs is guilty of forgery and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year."

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REGULATORY PROVISION

9. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, states:

"For the purpose of denial, suspension, or revocation of a personal or facility license pursuant to Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the Business and Professions Code, a crime or act shall be considered substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a licensee or registrant if to a substantial degree it evidences present or potential unfitness of a licensee or registrant to perform the functions authorized by his license or registration in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare."

COST RECOVERY

10. Section 125.3 states, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE / DANGEROUS DRUG

- 11. Suboxone, the brand name of buprenorphine and naloxone, is classified as a Schedule IV controlled substance pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 11058(d), and is a dangerous drug pursuant to section 4022.
 - 12. Health and Safety Code section 11875 states, in pertinent part:

"The following controlled substances are authorized for use in replacement narcotic therapy by licensed narcotic treatment programs:

"(c) Buprenorphine products or combination products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for maintenance or detoxification of opioid dependence. (d) Any other federally approved controlled substances used for the purpose of narcotic replacement treatment."

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Convictions of Substantially Related Crimes)

13. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 490, 4300, and 4301, subdivision (I), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, on the

grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent was convicted of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a registered pharmacy technician which to a substantial degree evidence her present or potential unfitness to perform the functions authorized by her registration in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare, as follows:

- a. On or about September 13, 2011, after pleading nolo contendere, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of violating Health and Safety Code section 11171(a) [obtaining controlled substance by fraud, to wit, Suboxone] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Martha Solarez* (Super. Ct. Ventura County, 2010, No. 2010021798MA). The Court sentenced Respondent to two (2) days jail and placed her on 36 months probation.
- b. The circumstances underlying the conviction are that on or about June 16, 2010, Respondent, while representing that she was telephoning from a doctor's office and using her maiden name, placed an order with a Rite Aid pharmacist for Suboxone, a controlled substance and dangerous drug, without a valid prescription.
- c. On or about January 29, 2003, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of violating Vehicle code section 23152(b) [drive with an equal to or greater than 0.08% blood alcohol content (BAC)] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Martha Solarez* (Super. Ct. Ventura County, 2003, No. 2003000129MA). The Court sentenced Respondent to five (5) days jail, placed her on 36 months probation, and ordered her to complete a First Conviction Drinking Driver Program.
- d. The circumstances underlying the conviction are that on or about December 30, 2002, Respondent while under the tested influence of 0.09/0.08% BAC drove a vehicle.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(False Prescription)

14. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4300, 4301, subdivision (o), and 4324, on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about June 16, 2010, Respondent attempted to pass, as genuine, a prescription for the drug Suboxone with Rite Aid Pharmacy. Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth

 above in paragraph 13, subparagraphs a and b, inclusive, as though set forth fully.

THIRDH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Violating Drug Statutes)

15. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4300, 4301, subdivision (j), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about June 16, 2010 or September 13, 2010, Respondent violated Health and Safety Code section 11171, subdivision (a). Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth above in paragraph 13, subparagraphs a and b, inclusive, as though set forth fully.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Misstatement on Application for Licensure)

16. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4300 and 4301, subdivision (g), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about June 18, 2007, Respondent, under penalty of perjury to the truth and accuracy of all statements, answers and representations made in the application, knowingly made a false statement of fact required to be revealed in her application for licensure and procured her license by fraud or misrepresentation. Respondent answered "No" to question No. 6, when in fact, she sustained a criminal conviction on or about January 29, 2003. Question 6, states:

Have you ever been convicted of or pled no contest to a violation of any law of a foreign country, the United States or any state laws or local ordinances? You must include all misdemeanor and felony convictions, regardless of the age of the conviction, including those which have been set aside under Penal Code section 1203.4. Traffic violations of \$500 or less need not be reported. If "yes," attach an explanation including the type of violation, the date, circumstances, location and the complete penalty received. In addition to this written explanation, please provide the Board of Pharmacy with certified copies of all pertinent court documents or arrest reports relating to this conviction.

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FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Acts Involving Moral Turpitude, Fraud, Deceit or Corruption)

17. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4300 and 4301, subdivision (f), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent committed acts involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption. Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth above in paragraph 13, subparagraphs a and b, and paragraphs 14 - 16, inclusive, as though set forth fully.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board issue a decision:

- Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Technician License Number TCH 77320, issued to Martha Perez Solarez;
- Ordering Martha Perez Solarez to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the 2. investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to section 125.3; and
 - Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 3.

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State of California

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